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# Integrated Collaborative Environment (ICE)

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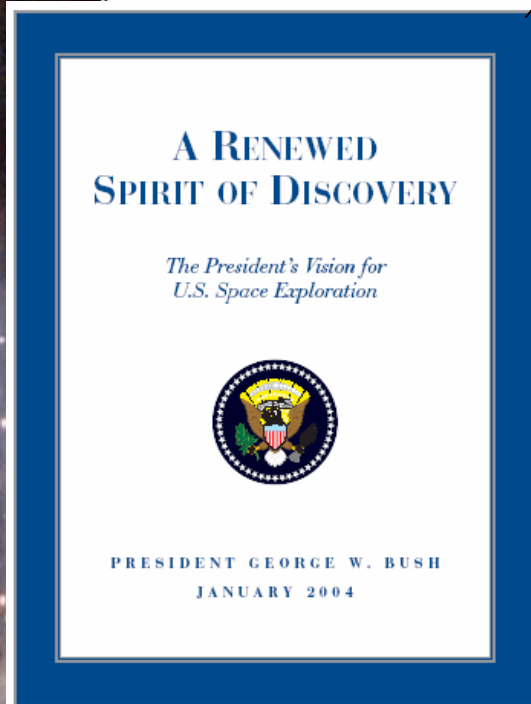
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ICE Program Manager



# The Vision for Space Exploration

**THE FUNDAMENTAL GOAL OF THE VISION IS TO ADVANCE U.S. SCIENTIFIC, SECURITY, AND ECONOMIC INTEREST THROUGH A ROBUST SPACE EXPLORATION PROGRAM**



Implement a sustained and affordable human and robotic program to explore the solar system and beyond

Extend human presence across the solar system, starting with a human return to the Moon by the year 2020, in preparation for human exploration of Mars and other destinations;

Develop the innovative technologies, knowledge, and infrastructures both to explore and to support decisions about the destinations for human exploration; and

Promote international and commercial participation in exploration to further U.S. scientific, security, and economic interests.



# What is the ICE?

**ICE** is a **web-centric** environment which will be **used by industry, academia and government** for: sharing, collaborating, integrating, accessing and controlling **management information and product data** defining all of the products which are part of Exploration Systems.



- Single source access to all ESMD data
- Integrated programmatics
- Accessibility from anywhere in the world

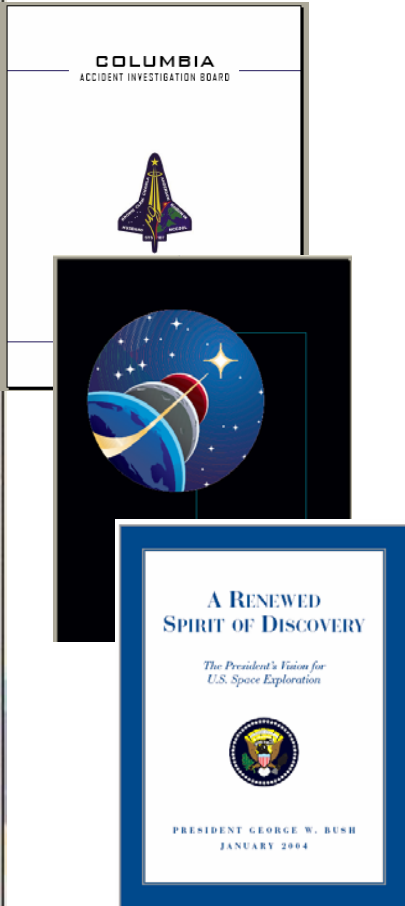


***ICE is the authoritative source for all program data***



# Why are we implementing ICE?

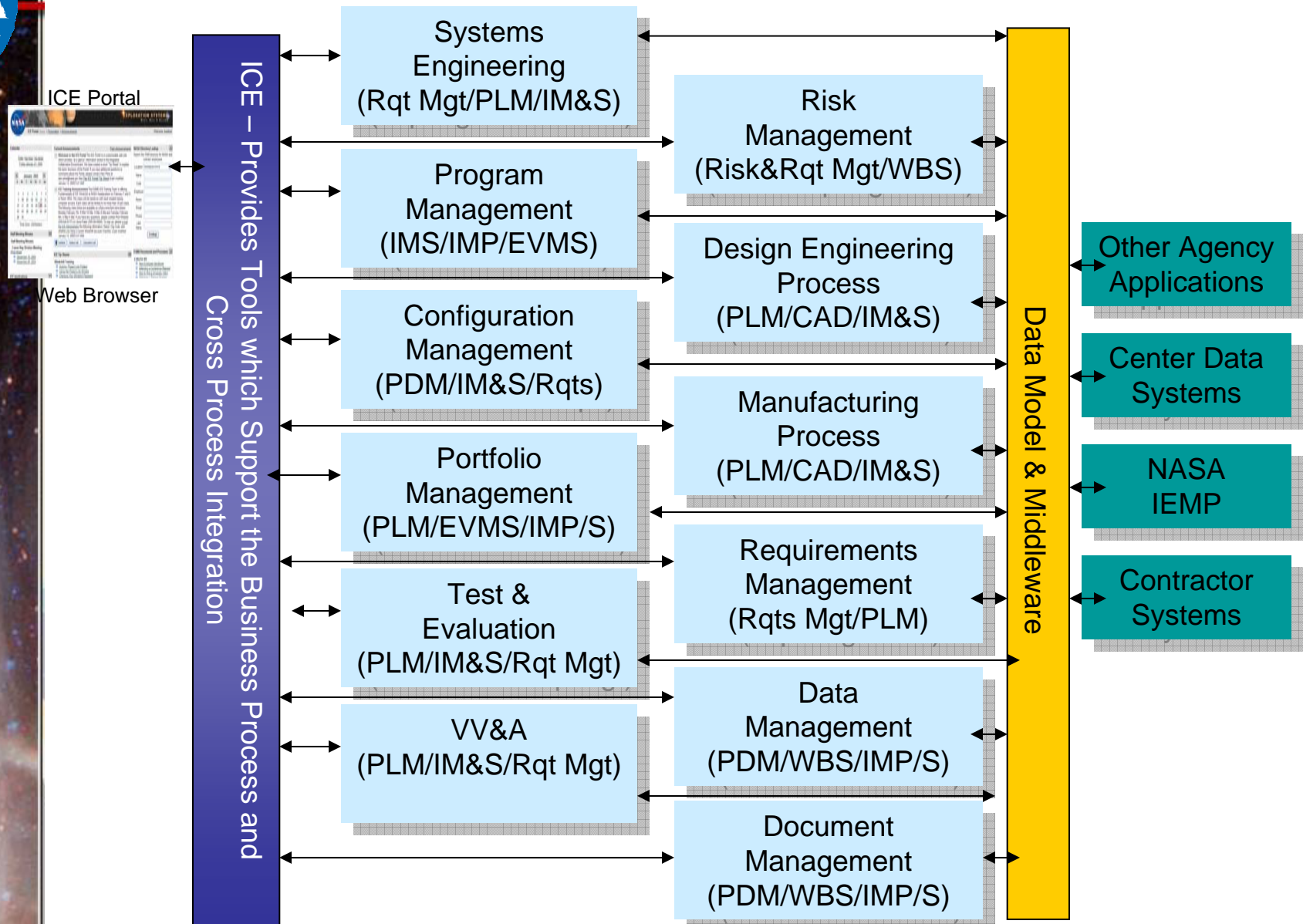
- ICE Improves Mission Assurance and Mission Safety:
  - Ensures availability of all data related to ESMD products during ESMD operations – key lessons learned from Shuttle & Space Station
- ICE Reduces ESMD Program/Project Performance Risk By:
  - Providing better program visibility, control and decisions throughout the program life cycle
  - Enabling assessment and review of ESMD Program/Project components throughout the development life cycle
  - Enabling virtual test and evaluation of digital representations of systems
- ICE Compresses ESMD Program/Project Delivery Schedules By:
  - Enabling simultaneous development and synchronized releases of multiple independently developed systems as a deployable package to NASA
  - Acceleration of alternative designs and systems for ESMD
  - Providing a single collaboration environment enabling the compression of numerous critical process life cycles.
- ICE Reduces ESMD Program/Project Cost By:
  - Improves communication amongst the various systems and sub systems along for faster incorporation of designs and completion of tasks
  - Better and faster selection and incorporation of technologies







# ICE Integrated Process View





# Integrated Collaborative Environment Tools

- PDM/PLM – Windchill 7.0 (in process of migrating to 8.0)
  - ProjectLink & PDMLink
- Risk Management
  - Active Risk Manager
- Integrated Master Schedule
  - Primavera
- Earned Value Management
  - Primavera & wInsight
- Requirements Mgmt/Systems Engineering
  - Cradle
- Dashboard
  - Leveraging existing tools & web services in a services oriented architecture
- Middleware
  - Tibco
- Portal
  - Vignette



# Immediate Needs with No Infrastructure

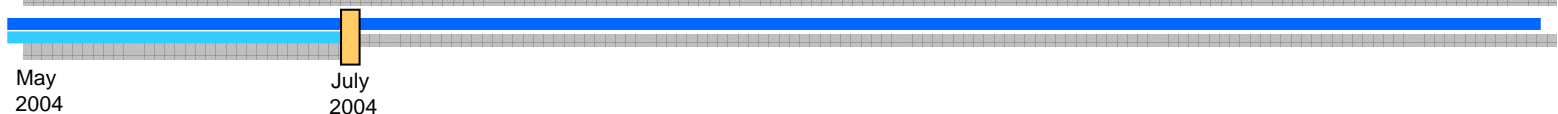
*Timeframe : April 2004 – July 2004*

## **The Focus**

- *A document & process management system to support procurements*
- *Design an IT architecture and support environment for a program extending to 2030*

## **Guiding Principles**

- *Understand needs, requirements, and management emphasis*
  - *Establish and communicate expectations often*
  - *Ensure/Require management buy-in*
- *Establish a clear vision of the IT Architecture*
  - *COTS - Best in Class Approach*
    - *Select the best tool for a given functional area*
    - *Standards based integration practices*
  - *Web-Based information delivery*
  - *Scalable enterprise solution products*
  - *Focused product/capability delivery with growth path identification*
- *Enterprise Funded, Program/Project Use*
- *Leverage existing agency assets, contracts, and knowledge*





# Stabilizing & Sustaining the Infrastructure

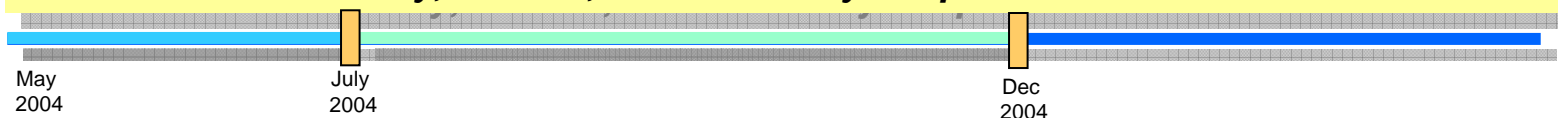
*Timeframe : August 2004 – December 2004*

## **The Focus**

- *Ensure access, reliability, and continuity of IT services*
- *Add an “operational” component to support users through training and helpdesk services (700 users by Dec 2004)*
- *Streamline information access and delivery systems by users (Single-Sign-On, Portal, Workflows)*
- *Add functionality as stakeholder requested (Earned Value Mgmt, Risk Mgmt, etc)*

## **Guiding Principles**

- *Migrate a “reactive mode of operations” to a structured, responsive environment*
- *Document and enforce process, policy and procedures*
- *Collect and use Metrics to manage the IT portfolio and operations*
- *Recognized user training needs and establish the support organization*
- *Re-use (not re-establish) agency assets (Helpdesk, NDC ops, contracts)*
- *Focus on redundancy, failover, and continuity of operations*







# Organization Transformation & Adding Capability

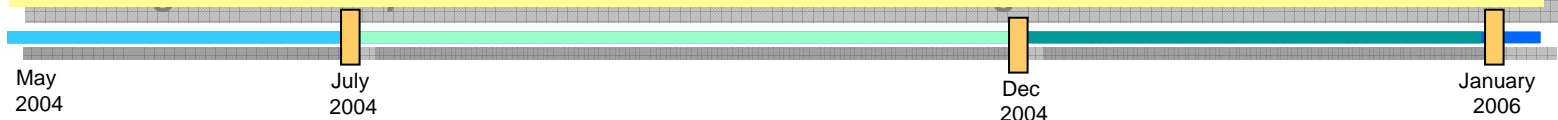
*Timeframe : January 2005 – January 2006*

## **The Focus**

- *Add functionality to support program management requirements (EVMS, Requirements Management, IMP/IMS, Data Modeling, IM&S)*
- *Upgrade the IT environment to support CEV & CLV activities*
- *Develop the integration layer needed for contract deliverables*
- *Establishing software development processes from life cycle management*
- *Align with agency CIO processes (EA, e-Gov, ITS, CPIC, Records Mgmt)*

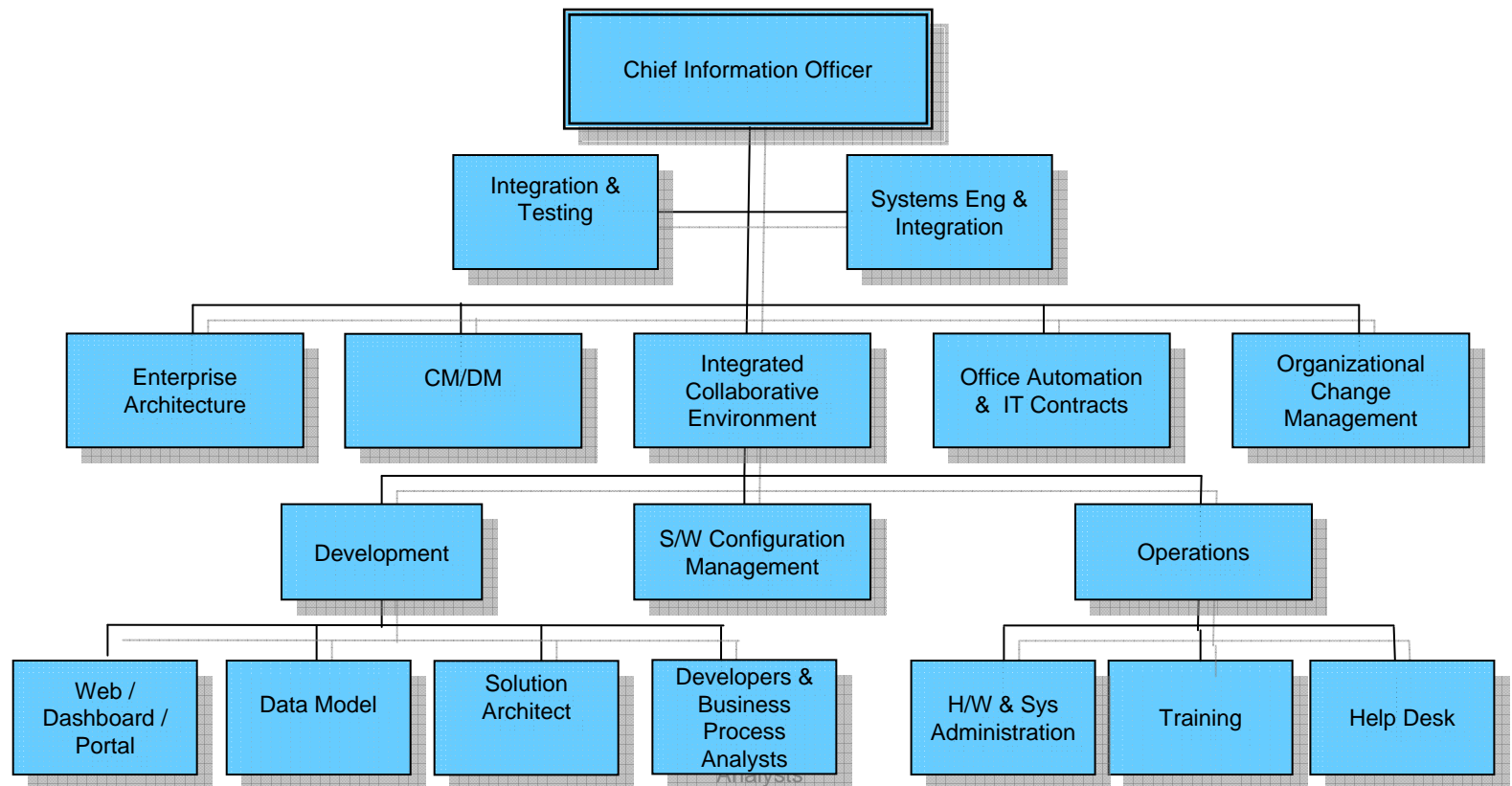
## **Guiding Principles**

- *Partner with Stakeholders and agency organizations performing similar activities*
- *Develop a JIT approach to providing IT to avoid unnecessary licensing costs*
- *Strategically plan for 6 month, 1 year, 5 year requirements*
- *Reorganize as responsibilities and focus areas change*





# ESMD Office of the CIO





# Infrastructure

- Hardware
  - Located at NASA Data Center (MSFC)
  - Development, Integration, Staging & Production
    - Staging & Production environments are identical
    - Redundancy & failover
  - Storage Area Network (SAN)
- Software
  - Subversion & JIRA
    - S/W Configuration Management
  - TestDirector & LoadRunner
    - Test changes prior to moving new versions/changes to staging environment
  - Remedy
    - Help Desk
  - Oracle 9.x
    - Primary database
    - Architected with redundancy & failover
- Testing
  - Quality control of products released into the ICE environment
  - Test driven development
  - Unit tests
  - Regression tests
  - Load tests
- Training
  - Team located at MSFC
  - Instructor led, web-based, & WebEx
  - Windchill, Active Risk Manager, Portal & Cradle conducted by the ICE team
- Help Desk
  - Tier 1 team located at MSFC
  - Provides support for ALL applications in ICE
  - Use Remedy software to collect metrics
  - Same group supports training
  - Requests submitted via phone and email
- Documentation (short list)
  - ICE Software Development Lifecycle Plan (meets NPR 7150 requirements)
  - ICE Security Plan (meets NPR 2810 requirements)
  - ICE Program Management Plan (meets NPR 7120 requirements)
  - ICE Master Test Plan

# ICE Metrics



## ICE Statistics

NASA Users = 4,639 +

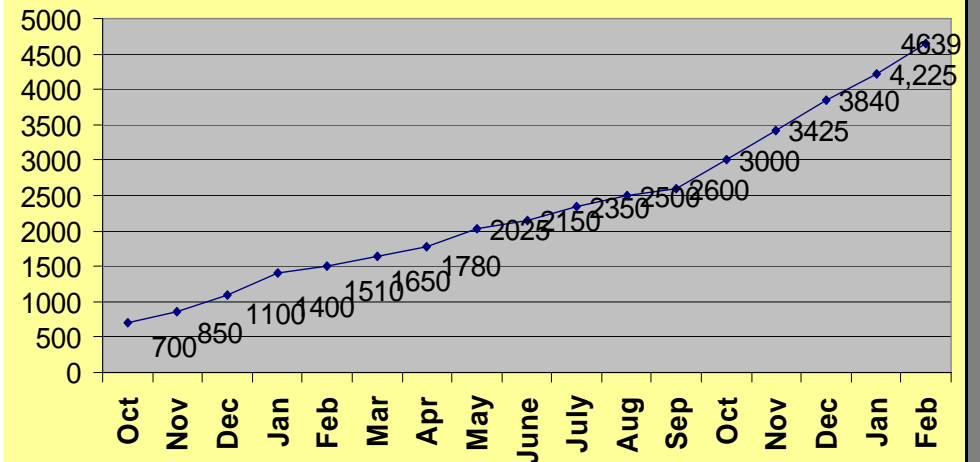
Number of Documents= 81,920+

Number of Projects = 376+

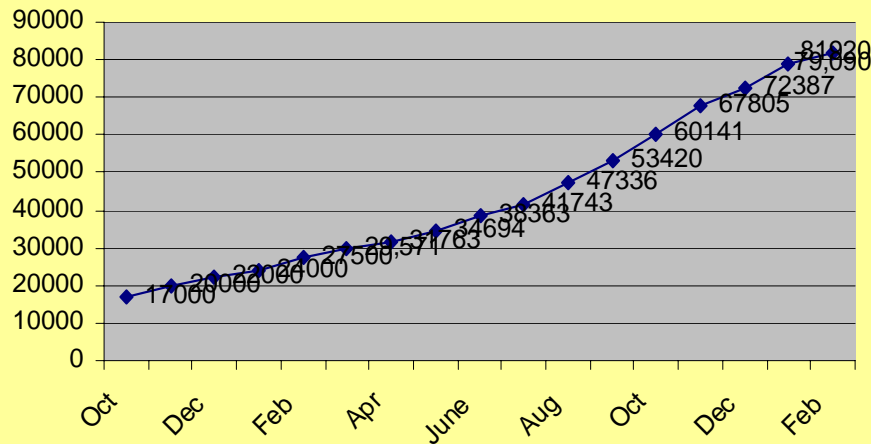
Hundreds of workflows and lifecycles running.

All Project Teams actively using ICE to collaborate around shared, in-work and released data.

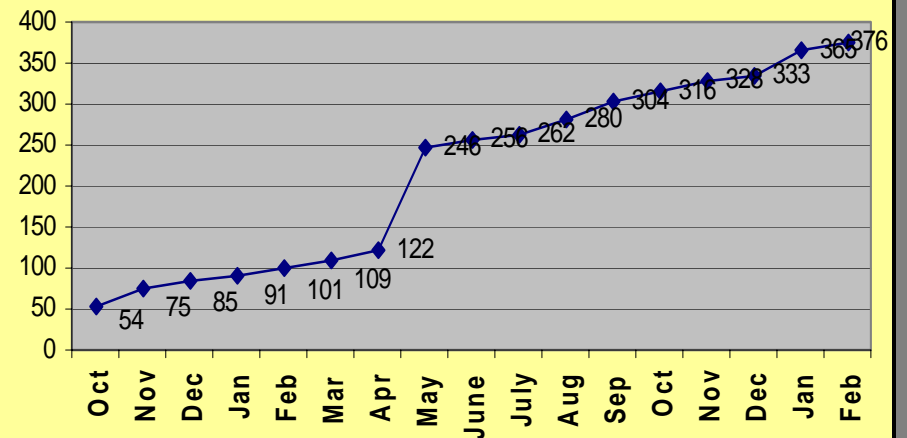
## Users



## ICE Data Content (Documents)



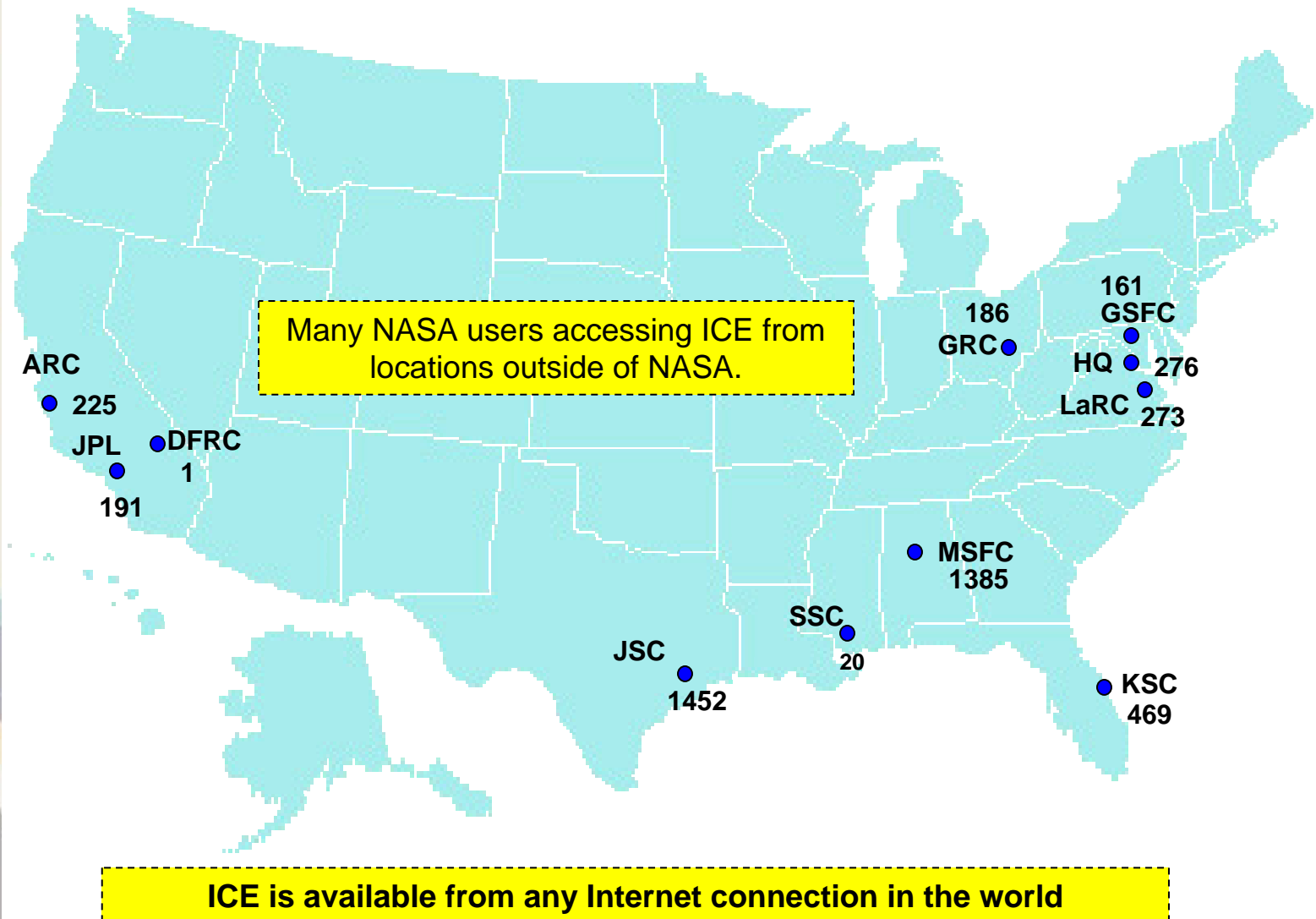
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# Users by Center for February 2006





# Summary

- ICE is government owned and managed.
- ICE has a scalable and adaptable architecture.
  - Best in class, Web Based (where possible), Commercial-off-the-Shelf (COTS)
- ICE compresses ESMD program/project schedules; reduces risks; reduces costs; and improves mission assurance and safety.
- ICE is more than a data repository. ICE enables, integrates, and supports business processes.
- ICE is more than Windchill. ICE is a set of integrated tools, accessed through a single interface covering the full lifecycle of programs and products.
- ICE will be the means by which contractors deliver data to NASA.
- ICE provides single sign-on
- ICE (including licenses) are paid at the Directorate level
- ICE is the authoritative source of all ESMD data.